

Retired and Senior Volunteer Program

of the River Parishes
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Corporation for
**NATIONAL &
COMMUNITY
SERVICE** 

“Under the authority of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act, the Corporation for National and Community Services provides grants to qualified agencies and organizations for the dual purpose of engaging persons 55 and older in volunteer service to meet critical community needs; and to provide high quality experience that will enrich the lives of the volunteers.”

RSVP Operations Handbook

Purpose of RSVP

- RSVP is a competitive grant process
- Grants are awarded in 3 year cycles
- Frequent reporting is required

Other Funding Sources

- St. John the Baptist Parish
- United Way of St. Charles
- St. Charles Parish

- To make an impact on your community
- To feel needed and appreciated
- To be of service to others
- To increase communication and interpersonal skills
- To make a difference in the lives of others
- To build a sense of community and belonging
- To make a positive impact on people

Reasons to Volunteer

St. Charles Parish-
271 volunteers

St. John Parish-
208 volunteers

St. James Parish-
218 volunteers

**Total Number of
Volunteers**

697

Volunteers

65,447
hours

Volunteer Hours so far this year

There are approximately
60
Volunteer stations in the
tri-parish area.

Some of the St. Charles Stations include:

- ✓ St. Charles Parish Hospital
- ✓ Ormond Nursing and Care Center
- ✓ Arc of St. Charles
- ✓ Council on Aging

Some of St. John Stations include:

- ✓ Place Dubourg
- ✓ River Parish Hospital
- ✓ Twin Oaks Nursing Home
- ✓ AARP

Some of the St. James Parish Station include:

- ✓ Lutch Senior Center
- ✓ St. Vincent DePaul Thrift Shop
- ✓ St. James Historical Museum

Stations

A volunteer station is a public agency, secular or faith-based private non-profit organization, or proprietary health care organization that accepts the responsibility for assignment and supervision of RSVP volunteers.

RSVP is active in the community and assists with community and parish wide events. Some upcoming events include:

- ❖ The Senior Christmas Luncheon
- ❖ The Annual Toy and Gift Fund event
- ❖ The Times Picayune Toy Drive

